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TAGS: ETRD, EPAP, IN

SUBJECT: USG POLICY TOWARD INDIAN HANDLOOM GARMENTS

REF: NEW DELHI 15159

1. U.S. CONSULTATION REQUEST WITH RESPECT TO OVERSHIPMENTS  
IN GROUP 2 RELATED TO OVERSHIPMENT DURING LAST AGREEMENT  
YEAR. NEW AGREEMENT YEAR BEGAN ON OCTOBER 1. ANY HAND-  
LOOMED APPAREL PRODUCTS NOT FOUND BY CUSTOMS TO BE EXEMPT,  
AS WELL AS OTHER GROUP 2 APPAREL ITEMS, ARE BEING CHARGED  
TO QUOTA. IF PRESENT RATE OF SHIPMENTS OF HANDLOOMED  
PRODUCTS AND OTHER GROUP 2 ITEMS CONTINUES, IT PROBABLE  
THAT GROUP 2 CEILINGS WILL BE REACHED WELL BEFORE END OF  
AGREEMENT YEAR, PERHAPS EVEN BY EARLY 1976. SHIPMENTS  
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ABOVE EXISTING QUOTA LEVELS WILL BE SUBJECT TO EXCLUSION,

DEPENDING ON OUTCOME OF CONSULTATIONS SCHEDULED FOR  
DECEMBER 15.

2. FYI ONLY. AS BACKGROUND, INDO-US TEXTILE AGREEMENT  
EXPRESSLY AFFORDS EXEMPTION FROM AGREEMENT CEILING ONLY  
TO COTTAGE INDUSTRY TEXTILE PRODUCTS WHICH ARE CUT AND SEWN  
ENTIRELY BY HAND. IN PAST, PRECISE TERMS OF AGREEMENT WERE  
NOT RIGOROUSLY ENFORCED, IN THAT ALL HANDLOOM ITEMS,  
INCLUDING TREADLE SEWN ITEMS, WHICH WERE CERTIFIED BY GOI  
AS EXEMPT, WERE ADMITTED WITHOUT QUOTA. RECENT TESTS ON  
15 SAMPLES RESULTED IN DETERMINATION THAT ALL HAD BEEN  
SEWN ON POWER DRIVEN MACHINES. BECAUSE, AS PRACTICAL  
MATTER, U.S. CUSTOMS AUTHORITIES IN FIELD ARE NOT ABLE  
DISTINGUISH BETWEEN STITCHING OF TREADLE DRIVEN AND  
POWER DRIVEN MACHINES, ALL ITEMS NOT PROVEN TO BE SEWN  
BY HAND ARE NOW BEING CHARGED TO QUOTA. END FYI INGERSOLL

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